Ravalli County Commissioners 214 South 4th Street, Suite A Hamilton, MT 59840

November 29, 2007

Mr. Dwane Kailey, P.E., District Administrator Montana Department of Transportation Post Office Box 7039 Missoula, MT 59807-7039

Dear Mr. Kailey;

The Ravalli County Board of Commissioners is pleased to offer our strong support and encouragement of the roadway improvement project now being proposed for State Secondary 203, from Wildfowl Lane to Bull Run Road. We find, in particular, that the proposed realignment of the ninety-degree curves to Rathbun Lane and Ambrose Creek Road will greatly enhance public safety and traffic efficiency through this important transportation corridor.

As Ravalli County continues to experience rapid growth, traffic pressures on public roadways within the county have increased far beyond their original design capacity. We are pleased that the Department of Transportation recognizes this fact and is willing to work with local governments to initiate this type of improvement. Should we be of any assistance in the development of this project, please do not hesitate to contact us. The County Road & Bridge Department will also be available to provide whatever assistance is desired.

Thank you for your efforts on this important project.

Sincerely,

James E. Rokosch, Chairman

Carlotta Grandstaff, Vice-Chairman

Alan Thompson, Member

CC: David H. Ohnstad, County Road Supervisor

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Kathleen Driscoll, Member